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The European Patent Office cited the references in connection with a search conducted in PCT/US2004/011711. That international application corresponds to and derives priority from U.S. application 10/646,077, filed August 22, 2003, and U.S. application 10/739,379, filed December 18, 2003, for a "Stabilizer Bar With

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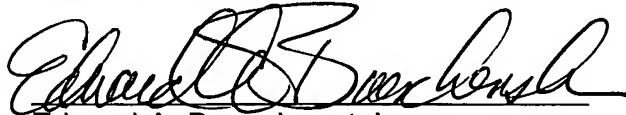
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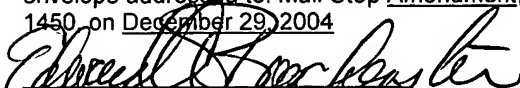
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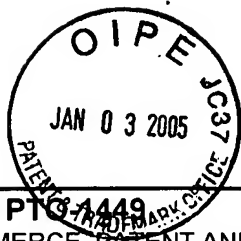
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